### COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE

ARCHVILLE.

Rev. L. A. Carter, of Benton, ia running a two weeks protracted meeting here; much good has already been done.

T. O. Pack, Herb Center, John McClure and J. E. Cook have recently been can vassing our district for votes. Everyone says he will be elected but some of them are badly mistaken.

The pike roads are progressing fine they

has been in years.

Success to THE REPUPLICAN.

A MOUNTAINEER.

### Local and Personal Mention.

Circuit court convenes at Benton, next Monday.

Jas, M. Shearer, of Farner, spent Tuesday in Ducktown.

Mark Anderson is having a power pump installed at his home.

R. G. Bell, engineer of the Pike Road Commision, was here, Tuesday.

Judge Jas. H. Williamson was the guest of the Ducktown Hotel, Tuesday.

Robert Anderson and Ed Reece have purchased the dry cleaning establishment of Jim Howell,

Mr. and Mrs. Roy. E. Spargo and daughter, Lilltan, are visiting relatives in Benton this week.

'Squire J. N. McBrayer, of Reliance, was in Ducktow, Tuesday, to attend a meeting of the Pike Road Commission.

R. Meigs Copeland, of Benton, was here on legal business, Tuesday. He reported much sickness down that way, but nothing serious.

Rains are reported from nearly all parts of East Tennessee and Western North Carolina. They were much needed.

Mrs. J. A. Varner left Wednesday, for her home in Chattanooga, after an extended visit with her husband, who is connected with the pike road here. We are sorry to lose her.

have reached about one-fourth mile south of Reliance.

Greasy Creek has about dried up. There has been the longest drougth here there

Mistaking his bathroom for a gymnasium, and trying to perform the feat of balancing on his eyebrows while trying to put on a sock, E. C. Crawford is hobbling around with a lame hip.

Mrs. S. J. Spargo and her sister, Mrs. R. L. Kirkpatrick, left Sunday morning for Collinsville, Ala. They were called to the bedside of their little niece, Edith, the daughte of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ward, who has beeu very low for several days. We hope she will soon recover.

#### Notice to Painters!

Sealed bids will be received until Monday, July 27, at 9 a. m., for the painting of the bridge across Potato Creek, between Ducktown and Mary mine.

The bridge must be thoroughly cleaned of rust and old paint before putting on fresh paint.

The paint will be furnished by the

County.

The bidder will be given until September 10 to complete the work.

All proposals shall be left with Chas. E. Taylor, of the Ducktown Banking Co.

The right is reserved to reject any J. H. WILLIAMSON, or all bids. Chairman.

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WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS? To the Editor of The Prox Court Executions:

The Polk County Pike Road Commission adopted the road from Prendergast to Benton as the first road to be built below the mountains in order that the Ducktown, Copperbill and mountain people might have a better and more convenient outlet in getting to the county site.

All the citizens along this route donated the right-of-way of forty feet wide except a few individuals.

To show the difference in the citizenship of Polk county, I want to cite two cases that have come before the commission.

Mr. Gerrge Bates owns a farm a little over two miles from Benton. The pike road passes through his farm, but it leaves him nearly half a mile from it. It greatly inconveniences him from the fact that he will have to build extra fences and maintain them, but he donated this strip for the benefit of the people of Polk county and his action will be remembered in the yeaes to come. It shows he has the interest of Polk county at heart and the giving to the people a better and a shorter route was a commendable act.

A little further out from Benton, the pike survey passes through the lands of well-to-do citizens, who have large and fertile farms on the Hiawassee river. This line of survey passes through a strip of timber outside and through the poorest part of their farms. They were asked for a right-of-way and refused to give it unless the pike would run by their doors. The pike commissioners instituted condemnation proceedings against them, last week: a jury was impannelled, went upon the premises and listened to the proof offered by these well-to-do citizens as to the value of their lands. A majority of the jury gave them over \$2300, or from \$300 to \$400 per

One of the star witnesses for the defendants was Rev. Gay Bryant, who is a candidate for re-election on the County Board of Education. If Mr. Bryant knows no more about Educational matters than he does of land values, he had better not aspire to hold office.

How does this action campare with that of Mr. Bates?

One of these citizens is now urging the the people to elect him sheriff of Polk county. His action in the pike road matter will be condemned by every citizen who is anxiour to get a better way from the railroad to the county site such conduct might cause the commission to abandon this road, leaving the people without any road at all. I do not believe these gentleman will pay any such price for a rightof-way. This will cause an agitation for the removal of the county site to a point where the people of the mountains can get to the county site without having to wade through thick mud up to their eyes. Are the people going to elect such men to office? This question will be answered on the 6th day of August.

Suppose 250 citizen of the county should be awarded such outrageous damages! Where, oh where, wouln the pike fund be? PIKE ROAD

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T. S. WEAVER, Box 21, Ducktown, Tenn.

THE DUCKTOWN-

BENTON PIKE ROAD.

We have heard some comment on the action of the county court in tabling the motion to build a pike road from Ducktown to Benton.

Just why the county court took this action we do not know, but presume that it was for good and sufficient reasons.

There is an almost unanimous sentiment among the people for an outlet over the mountains, but the same sentiment exists against building at a cost of \$150,000 when a cheaper and more feasable route can be found.

We believe the entire county court favor of such a pike and that when a feasible route is found an election will be called to permit the people to say whether or not they are will \_\_\_\_\_ lond themselves for such an ent ... se.

The building of the present pike will prove whether or not the county can build a pike cheaper and better than it can be done by private contract, and we think this was the court's idea in not taking action at the present time.

This is a matter of dollars and cents to the taxpayers and we believe that they are entitled to have their money expended to the very best advantage.

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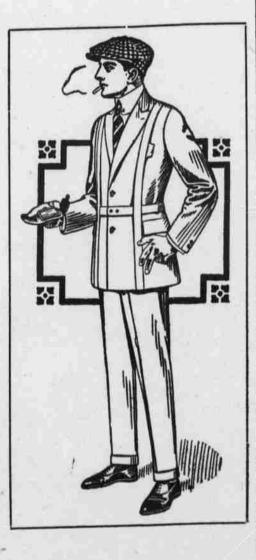
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